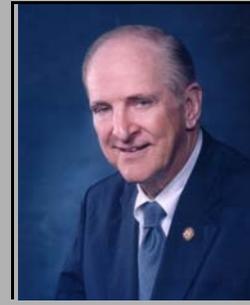


Congressman Sam Johnson

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Sam Johnson: Thank God we didn't have those Democrats at the Alamo! *Calls Texas Democrats 'Deserters'*

This morning on the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives, U.S. Congressman Sam Johnson (3rd Dist.-Texas) blasted Texas Democrats of the State House for abandoning their posts. More than 50 Democrats from the State House fled to Oklahoma, halting Texas business in Austin. A 29-year Air Force veteran, Johnson served in the Texas State House from 1985 to 1991. Johnson's remarks follow.

"You know, this weekend is Armed Forces Day. Aren't our men and women in uniform doing a great job?"

"I hear all of this talk about the Texas Legislature. You know we've got a lot of deserters down there. These guys are AFRAID to stand up and fight like our armed services do!"

"Fox TV said, I thought it was pretty good so I'll paraphrase it, 'you know, aren't you a Texas Legislator?'"

"The guy answered, 'yes.'"

"Then he asked, 'Then what are you doing in Ardmore, OK? The legislature meets in Austin, Texas.'"

"You know, it's a shame that we can't have debate – formal debate – in our capital in Texas."

"Thank God we didn't have those democrats at the Alamo!"

"God bless you."

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